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In April 1977, CIA Director Stansfield Turner fired William Weisenburger, an electronics specialist, and forever stripped him of a security clearance for helping former CIA agents Edwin Wilson and Frank Terpil acquire explosive devices for Libya's Muammar Qaddafi. According to published reports, Weisenburger led Scientific Communications; Inc., of Dallas, Texas, to believe he was conducting CIA business when he bought the equipment for Wilson and Terpil (who resold it to Qaddafi at a 1,000 per cent mark-up). Intelligence sources were thus disturbed to learn that Weisenburger now works for SCI, a company whose primary income derives from highly classified Government contracts. Because Weisenburger could hardly work at SCI without CIA acquiescence, the astonished investigators say, his employment there suggests the Wilson and Terpil dealings with Qaddafi had high-level approval, no matter what Admiral Turner did. A telephone call to SCI confirmed Weisenburger's employment, but he was out of town and unavailable for comment.